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# WELDING INSPECTION REPORT

Resident Engineer: Pursell, Gary **Report No:** WIR-015470 Address: 333 Burma Road **Date Inspected:** 06-Jul-2010

City: Oakland, CA 94607

OSM Arrival Time: 1000 **Project Name:** SAS Superstructure Prime Contractor: American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV **OSM Departure Time:** 1830 Contractor: American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV **Location:** Job Site

Jesse Cayabyab and Bernie Docen@WI Present: **CWI Name:** Yes No

**Inspected CWI report:** Yes N/A **Rod Oven in Use:** Yes No No N/A Yes N/A **Electrode to specification:** No Weld Procedures Followed: Yes No N/A Yes N/A **Qualified Welders:** No **Verified Joint Fit-up:** Yes No N/A N/A Yes No N/A **Approved Drawings:** Yes No **Approved WPS: Delayed / Cancelled:** Yes No N/A

34-0006 **Bridge No: Component:** Orthotropic Box Girder

## **Summary of Items Observed:**

Caltrans Office of Structural Material (OSM) Quality Assurance Inspector (QAI) Joselito Lizardo was present at the Self Anchored Suspension (SAS) job site as requested to perform observations on the welding of components for the San Francisco Oakland Bay Bridge (SFOBB) Project.

At OBG L4E/L5E side plate 'E1' (0mm to 305mm) inside, QA randomly observed ABF/JV qualified welder Sungtao, Huang ID # 3794 continuing to perform CJP groove (splice) welding root then fill pass on the splice butt joint. First, the welder was observed welding fill pass using Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) with 1/8" diameter, E7018H4R electrode. After completing the cover in this location, the welder had moved to the lower elevation location 7500mm to 9655mm. The welder was observed perform automatic welding in the 3G (vertical) position utilizing a dual shield Flux Cored Arc Welding (FCAW-G) with E71T-1M, 1/16" diameter wire electrode and implementing Caltrans approved Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) ABF-WPS-D15-3042A-1. The joint being welded had a single V-groove butt joint with backing bar. The splice joint was preheated and maintained to greater than 150 degrees Fahrenheit using Miller Proheat 35 Induction Heating System located at the opposite side of the plate prior /during welding, During welding, ABF Quality Control (QC) Bernie Docena was noted monitoring the welding parameters of the welder. At the end of the shift, welding of the fill passes on the splice butt joint was not completed and should continue tomorrow.

At OBG L3E/L4E bottom plate 'D' inside, QA randomly observed ABF/JV qualified welder Fred Kaddu perform CJP groove welding repair. The welder was observed welding in the 1G (flat) position utilizing Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) with 1/8" diameter E7018H4R electrode implementing welding procedure ABF-WPS-D15-1000-Repairs. The weld repairs were excavated to a boat shape. The repair excavations were

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preheated to more than 140 degree Fahrenheit using propane gas torch prior welding. During the shift, ABF QC Jesse Cayabyab was noted monitoring the welder. Prior welding, ABF QC Jesse Cayabyab was also observed performing Magnetic Particle Testing (MT) on the repair excavations. During the shift, the welder has completed four welding repairs outside and was noted working on the 5th repair at the end of the shift.





# **Summary of Conversations:**

At OBG L3E/L4E bottom plate 'D' inside and during conversation with ABF QC Jesse Cayabyab, he mentioned to QA about ABF doing the small repairs first then do the long ones.

### **Comments**

This report is for the purpose of determining conformance with the contract documents and is not for the purpose of making repair or fit for purpose recommendations. Should you require recommendations concerning repairs or remedial efforts please contact SMR Mohammad Fatemi (916) 227-5298, who represents the Office of Structural Materials for your project.

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